

RICK D. NYDEGGER  
BRENT P. LORIMER  
THOMAS R. VUKSINICK  
LARRY R. LAYCOCK  
JONATHAN W. RICHARDS  
DAVID R. WRIGHT  
JOHN C. STRINGHAM  
JOHN M. GUYNN  
CHARLES L. ROBERTS  
DANA L. TANGREN  
ERIC L. MASCHOFF  
CHARLES J. VEVERKA  
ROBYN L. PHILLIPS  
RICHARD C. GILMORE \*  
STERLING A. BRENNAN  
R. BURNS ISRAELSEN  
DAVID R. TODD  
GREGORY M. TAYLOR  
DAVID B. DELLENBACH  
L. DAVID GRIFFIN  
ADRIAN J. LEE  
FRASER D. ROY  
CARL T. REED



R. PARRISH FREEMAN, JR.  
PETER F. MALEN, JR.  
L. REX SEARS, PH.D.  
WILLIAM R. RICHTER  
ERIC M. KAMERATH  
ROBERT E. AYCOCK  
JENS C. JENKINS  
KEVIN W. STINGER  
WILLIAM J. ATHAY  
MICHAEL B. DODD  
RYAN D. BENSON  
SARA D. JONES  
TIGE KELLER  
JANNA L. JENSEN  
MATTHEW D. TODD  
J. LAVAR OLDHAM  
MICHAEL J. FRODSHAM  
JOSEPH L. KRUPA  
BRETT A. HANSEN  
BRETT I. JOHNSON  
MATTHEW A. BARLOW  
WESLEY C. ROSANDER  
ANDREW S. HANSEN  
CHAD E. NYDEGGER  
JOSEPH G. PIA  
CLINTON E. DUKE  
DAVID J. LORENZ †  
RYAN N. FARR \*  
JAMES B. BELSHE

# WORKMAN | NYDEGGER

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ATTORNEYS



1000 EAGLE GATE TOWER

60 EAST SOUTH TEMPLE

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH 84111

TELEPHONE: (801) 533-9800

FAX: (801) 328-1707

WEBSITE: [HTTP://WWW.WNLAW.COM](http://www.wnlaw.com)

## PATENT APPLICATION Docket No. 15436.436.1

### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of )

                            Harold Y. Walker, Jr., et al. )

Serial No.:           10/006,103                              ) Art Unit ) 2874

Confirmation No.: 9457 )

Filed:                 December 6, 2001                      )

For:                  METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR                      )  
                          RELEASING A PLUGGABLE MODULE              )

Examiner:           Kang, Juliana K.                      )

Mail Stop AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

### TRANSMITTAL FOR AMENDMENT "A" AND RESPONSE

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment "A" for entry in the above-identified application.

- Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- To secure the approval of the Examiner for proposed amendments to the drawings, enclosed are the following:

\* Admitted only in California

† Admitted only in New York

- Letter to the Official Draftsperson;
- Set of \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) sheets of drawings containing Figures \_\_\_\_\_ including the proposed amendments therein; and
- A duplicate set of the \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) sheets of drawings with the changes therein highlighted in red.

X To render the transmitted Amendment "A" timely filed enclosed are the following:

- X Petition for a 3-Month Extension of Time; and
- X PTO-2038 Credit Card Form in the amount of \$950.00 to cover the fee for the extension of time.

— A Certificate of Deposit Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.8.

X No other additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as follows:

			SMALL ENTITY		LARGE ENTITY	
CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDT'L FEE	RATE	ADDT'L FEE
20	20	0			18.00	0
6	6	0			86.00	0
1 <sup>st</sup> PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM			+ _____		+ _____	
			<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>TOTAL</b>	0

X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-3178.

X Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.

---

July 2, 2004  
Page 3

---

X Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.  
X A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Dated this 2 day of July 2004.

Respectfully submitted,



Eric L. Maschoff  
Attorney for Applicant  
Registration No. 36,596  
Customer No. 022913

ELM:blh  
W:\15436\436.1\BLM000002717V001.doc



PATENT APPLICATION  
Docket: 15436.436.1

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of )  
                        )  
                        )  
                        Harold Y. Walker, Jr., et al. )  
                        )  
                        )  
Serial No.:         10/006,103                              )  
                        )  
                        )  
Filed:              December 6, 2001                      ) Art Unit  
                        ) 2874  
                        )  
Confirmation No.:   9457                                    )  
                        )  
For:                 METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR RELEASING )  
                        A PLUGGABLE MODULE                        )  
                        )  
Examiner:           Kang, Juliana K.                      )

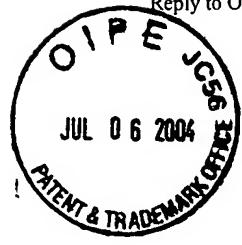
CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.8

I hereby certify that the following documents are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the 2 day of July, 2004.

- Transmittal Letter (3 pages) (in duplicate)
- Amendment "A" (24 pgs)
- Petition for Extension of Time (2 pages)
- PTO-2038 Credit Card Form in the amount of \$950.00 (1 pg)
- Postcard

Respectfully submitted,

Eric L. Maschoff  
Attorney for Applicant  
Registration No. 36,596  
Customer No. 022913



**Application No. 10/006,103  
Amendment A dated July 2, 2004  
Reply to Office Action mailed January 2, 2004**

PATENT APPLICATION  
Docket No. 15436.436.1

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Walker et al.

Serial No.: 10/006,103 ) Art Unit  
               ) 2874  
Filed: December 6, 2001 )  
               )  
For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR RELEASING A )  
       PLUGGABLE MODULE )  
               )  
Confirmation No.: 9457 )  
               )  
Customer No.: 022913 )  
               )  
Examiner: Juliana K. Kang )

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Mail Stop AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants submit this Amendment in response to the Examiner's Office Action mailed January 2, 2004. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.**

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 6 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 5 of this paper and include an annotated sheet showing proposed drawing changes.

Application No. 10/006,103  
Amendment A dated July 2, 2004  
Reply to Office Action mailed January 2, 2004

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 14 of this paper.

**An Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 18 of this paper.